(இ) Members of the Legislative Assembly representing City Constituencies have been included in this list. When the Legislature is in session, all legislators are invited for some suitable function in connection with the visit.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : As elected representatives of the people, will the Government consider the desirability of giving a more honoured place to the Members of the Legislature in public functions?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, I think they are being given an honoured place and they are entitled to an honoured place in such functions. But, it is a question of convenience with reference to the visiting dignitaries. If 250 Members of the Assembly and also the Members of the Council making a total of about 300 Members are to be introduced to the visiting dignitaries, certainly, it will not mean introduction and it will merely the strain on the visiting dignitaries and will be quite unnecessary also. That is why, in the matter of introduction of Members of the Legislature to the visiting dignitaries, there has got to be some restriction on some basis.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Questions are over.

[*Note.*—An asterisk * at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

III.—ADJOURNMENT MOTION *re* HUNGER STRIKE BY HARIJAN STUDENTS OF M. C. RAJA STUDENTS' HOSTEL.

9-00 a.m.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : The hon. Member, Sri V. K. Kothandaraman has given notice of an adjournment motion to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, viz., the failure of the Government to prevent the hunger strike by the Harijan students of M. C. Raja Students' Hostel, and the situation arising out of it.

Hunger strike cannot form the subject-matter of an adjournment motion. The hon. Member may put a short notice question, if he wants. The motion is therefore disallowed.

The Hon. Member, Sri K. R. Nallasivam has given notice of another adjournment motion. But, as the hon. Member is not in his seat, it is deemed not to have been moved.

IV.—POINT OF INFORMATION *re* TAMIL NATIONAL PARTY.

SRI J. MATHA GOWDER : ஸார், இந்த மன்றத்திலே புதிதாக "தமிழ் தேசியக் கட்சி" என்று ஒரு கட்சி ஏற்பட்டிருக்கிறதா? அப்படி ஒரு கட்சி ஏற்பட்டிருந்தால், எந்தக் கட்சி இந்த மன்றத்திலே தேய்ந்து போய் இருக்கிறது என்பதை அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்.

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DEPUTY SPEAKER : Two hon. Members of this House, Sri M. P. Subramaniam and Sri T. Irusappan are members of that new party and they have ceased to be members of the Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam whose strength in the House is now 12. The hon. Member, Sri S. M. Annamalai is also not a member of the Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam now and is now an " Independent " Member.

V.—STATEMENT BY HON. MINISTER FOR LOCAL ADMINISTRATION *re* CORRECTION TO AN ANSWER.

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, in reply to starred questions Nos. 822 (1004), 823 (1005), I gave certain particulars on 14—3—1961 about synthetic fish net twine supplied to fishermen by the Fisheries Department, and about the number of applications received for issue of import licences to fishermen during the past two years, and the number granted so far. Arising therefrom and in reply to a supplementary question by Sri A. A. Rasheed, seeking information about the receipt of grant by the State Government from the Government of India towards the supply of nylon threads, I stated that so far as these nylon threads were concerned, we had not received anything. The correct position is that the scheme for the supply of nylon nets to fishermen at subsidised rates is eligible for 50% grant for the subsidy (33–1/3%) allowed and 25% grant on the cost of staff of the scheme. Thus, the State Government is eligible for a subsidy of Rs. 39,122 towards the synthetic net (valued at Rs. 2·65 lakhs) supplied to fisherman by the Fisheries Department during 1957–58, 1958–59, 1959–60 and up to 31st October 1960.

VI.—ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(1) PANEL OF CHAIRMEN.

DUPUTY SPEAKER : I have to announce to the House that I have nominated under rule 14 (1) of the Madras Legislative Assembly Rules the following hon. Members to be the Panel of Chairmen :—

(1) Sri N. S. Ramalingam.

(2) Sri B. K. Linga Gowder.

(3) Sri N. K. Palanisami.

(4) Sri M. Ramachandra Reddy.

(5) Srimathi T. N. Anandanayaki

(6) Sri A. Govindasamy.